



UTILITY PATENT

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In re application of: **Paul S. WHITE et al.**

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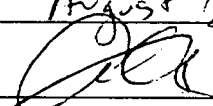
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 8, 2002.

Currently in the application are Claims 1-18 and 35-47.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-18 and 35-47 under the nonstatutory double patenting doctrine over Claims 1-47 of the US Patent No. 6,326,101. In response, Applicants presently file a terminal disclaimer, thus mooted the double patent rejection as described in MPEP § 804.02.


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In view of the foregoing, all the claims are patentable and the application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. Reconsideration of the application and allowance of Claims 1-18 and 35-47 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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